IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re application of: Inderpal Singh Narang : Date: 18 October 2004

Group Art Unit: 2172 : IBM Corporation

Examiner: Jean B. Fleurantin : Intellectual Property Law

Serial No.: 09/971,755 : Dept. IQ0A/040-3 Filed: 05 October 2001 : 1701 North Street

Confirmation No. 4239 : Endicott, NY 13760-5553

Title: A METHOD OF MAINTAINING DATA CONSISTENCY IN A LOOSE

TRANSACTION MODEL

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Mail Stop AF Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time to file a response to the Advisory Action mailed 20 September 2004 for a period of one month. The first reply was mailed within two months of the final rejection of the claims.
- 2. Applicant is other than a small entity.
- 3. Extension period and fee:

		Fee for other than
	(months)	<u>small entity</u>
	one month	\$ 110.00
	two months	\$ 410.00
	three months	\$ 930.00
	four months	\$1,450.00

Fee: \$110.00

4. Formal Drawings

are filed herewith.

have been filed.

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5. Fee Payment

Charge fee to Deposit Account No. <u>09-0457</u> and for any additional extension fee required or credit for any excess fee paid. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Check No.

Date: 18 October 2004

Respectfully submitted,

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that the enclosed or attached correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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